

## Message Text

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ACTION OES-07

INFO OCT-01 AF-10 ARA-10 EUR-12 EA-10 ISO-00 COME-00  
CEQ-01 IO-13 INT-05 SMI-01 DODE-00 CIAE-00 INR-10  
NSAE-00 L-03 /083 W  
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R 291702Z MAR 78

FM AMEMBASSY LONDON  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4622  
INFO AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES  
AMEMBASSY CANBERRA  
AMEMBASSY BRASILIA  
AMEMBASSY OTTAWA  
AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN  
AMEMBASSY PARIS  
AMEMBASSY REYKJAVIK  
AMEMBASSY MEXICO  
AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON  
AMEMBASSY PRETORIA  
AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE  
AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN

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CAPE TOWN ALSO FOR EMBASSY

E.O.11652: N/A  
TAGS: EFIS, SENV, IWC-1, UK  
SUBJECT: 10-YEAR MORATORIUM ON COMMERCIAL WHALING

REF: STATE 77088

1. CONTENTS REFTEL BROUGHT TO ATTENTION OF UK IWC  
COMMISSIONER.

2. POSITION OF UK HAS BEEN CLEAR: HMG HAS NOT FAVORED  
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A MORATORIUM BECAUSE IT DOES NOT FEEL THAT THE SCIENTIFIC  
EVIDENCE JUSTIFIES IT, AND NOT ALL WHALE SPECIES ARE EN-  
DANGERED (VIZ: SPERM WHALES). HMG MAINTAINS OFFICIAL  
CONFIDENCE IN THE IWC SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE.

3. MAFF (MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND FISHERIES)  
CONTACT NOTED U.S. POSITION AND PROMISED TO DRAW ATTEN-

TION OF HIGHER AUTHORITY TO POINTS MADE IN REFTEL. HOWEVER, IT WOULD, HE CAUTIONED, TAKE A MINISTERIAL DECISION TO CHANGE THE UK POSITION.

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## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptoning:** X  
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